

7 January 1966

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 7 January 1966

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[] of OCI gave a background briefing on Guatemala.

DD/I and Bross discussed the current status of matters pertaining to the NATO intelligence working group. General Burchinal of the Joint Staff is chairing a meeting in the Pentagon tomorrow morning for further discussions. [] of OCI will represent the Agency.

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DD/I noted a new NSA intelligence publication, this one a weekly entitled Southeast Asia SIGINT Digest. It was agreed that Bross would confer with the DDCI with a view toward straightening out problems created by the NSA intelligence publications.

R. J. Smith tabled copies of a joint CIA-DIA memorandum on the implications of the strategic missile expert as a member of the Shelepin delegation in Hanoi. A gist of the memorandum is carried in this morning's CIB. It was agreed that copies of the entire memorandum would be disseminated by special messenger this morning with a covering note over the DCI's signature.

Smith described the accidental death last night of a nephew of the Dominican Republic's ex-President Raphael Bonnelly. There appear to be no political implications.

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[] reported that George Lodge, son of the Ambassador, made a recent appearance on the NBC Today television show and gave a detailed account of the PAT program in favorable terms. Arrangements are being made to get a copy of the transcript.

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[] reported on a meeting with Glenn Smith, staff man of the Senate Preparedness Subcommittee who went to Vietnam with Senator Jackson recently. According to Smith, it is Jackson's view that CIA elements in Vietnam are head and shoulders above other elements there.

Houston reported that Boyd Crawford, staff man of the House Foreign Affairs Committee who went to Vietnam with Representative Hays, has written a report supporting the PAT program.

Houston noted that Senator McCarthy, who made a recent trip to Europe, is coming to the building for breakfast at 0800 hours on 11 January. He suggested that DD/C and DD/P attend the breakfast.

Houston reported that a briefing given by Agency officers on oceanographic matters was received with interest by Representatives Keith of Massachusetts and Rogers of Florida. The two are planning a trip to the USSR.

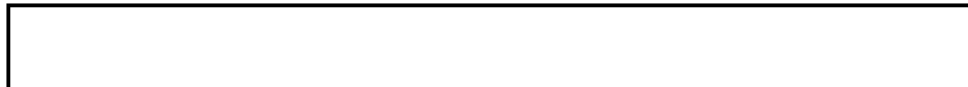
Houston reported that, following a suggestion made to the DCI by Representative Teague, Representative Daddario of Connecticut has been invited to come to the Agency for a chat.

Houston reported word that Senator Russell plans to schedule a subcommittee briefing by the DCI in the near future. In this connection, Houston suggested that the Deputy Directors give thought to including topics pertaining to Agency matters for briefing our Congressional committees.

Houston raised the question of informing our committees or staffs of our committees about the recent OXCART accident. The consensus was that we should wait a week or so in the hope that this subject can be covered in the course of full briefings given by the DCI to our committees.

Sheldon gave the DCI some background on subjects likely to be raised by a commercial aviation official seeing the DCI this morning.

DD/P reported that the EE Division will be dissolved effective in June. In place of the EE, WE, and SR Divisions, there will be a Europe Division and a Soviet-Eastern Europe Division. The Greek problem will be assumed by the NE Division.



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Executive Director read a letter from the Vice President extending thanks for the intelligence support provided to the Vice President during his recent trip through the Far East.

DDCI reported on certain comments made by the Secretary of Defense, who sees absolutely no truth to press ruminations concerning DIA as a competitor of CIA. DDCI said that Secretaries McNamara and Vance desire to have [] remain for the foreseeable future and all hands are urged to provide maximum support to []

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DCI reported on a telephone conversation with Secretary Vance and our agreement to lend two Agency U-2's to SAC for reconnaissance operations over North Vietnam. Our U-2's have superior capabilities. DCI stated the importance of providing transitional pilot training in connection with this loan.

ACTIONS:

1. Noting a scheduled meeting with [] COS, Saigon, later this morning, DCI asked [] to advise as soon as possible by telephone on the status of various operational matters, including the jungle bomb, plans to improve communications from various Agency-sponsored teams in Southeast Asia, the use of beacons as homing devices along trails in Laos, and the patch test. (C/SAVA - In the course of the morning)

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